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R R MANPOWER INVESTIGATION GETS UNDER WAY

By CLEM WHITAKER

The decision of the State Railroad Commission to make a searching inquiry into the whole railroad manpower situation, as requested by the steam railroads, in addition to its scheduled investigation into the effect of the Full Crew Law on rail operations during war time has turned the spotlight on a rapidly developing problem which threatens to become as serious to California as the farm labor crisis.

For reasons of military secrecy, it is a problem which thus far has not been aied fully in public, and probably can't be in the future, but testimony or railroad executives before legislative committees at Sacramento has given at least some indication of the gravity of the situation.

The acute shortage of railroad workers, plus the urgency of military requirements, rail officials testified may force the lines to cut down on shipments of food stuffs and livestock. "Unless relief is accorded our railroad and other railroads also," declared C. F. Donnatin, general manager of the Southern Pacific, " we will commence considering the application of embagoes on commercial freight." And from B. M. Patterson of Sacramento, assistant S. P. superintendent, came the warning that the railroads will not be able to provide transportation for livestock on the hoof if an embargo becomes necessary.

While contending that the operation of the Full Crew Law has been a serious factor in causing a schortage of brakemen and therefore delaying train movements, the railroads—in asking the state railroad commission for a full, investigation of their manpoyer problem—cited the following conditions as other contributing causes to their difficulty: (1) Heavy military traffic and the tremendous increase in freight and passenger business arising from the war. (2) Loss of employes through enlistment and induction into the armed forces. (3) Loss of employes to other employers. (4) Restrictive laws which do not permit the lines fully to utilize the manpower available.

The problem is greatly heightened, the railroads set forth, by reason of the fact that California is the focal point of the war in the Pacific, with traffic demands correspondingly heavier here than in any other area in the nation. On one of the railroads operating in California, it was brought out government freight traffic during 1942 was 283 per cent greater than in 1941—and comparative increases occurred on other lines.

The railroads, in addition to seeking suspension of restrictive makework laws which aggravate the manpower problem, also revealed that they are asking government sanction to import Mexican track workers; that they are recruiting Indians from the Indian reservations; that they are using women in all possible types of service in increasing number. and that they have established employment offices in the mid-west and the east to supplement their California labor supply.

RED CROSS TO OFFER NURSES SCHOLARSHIPS

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—A national scholarship fund of $31,515 has been raised by the General Federation of Women's Clubs in cooperation with the American Red Cross campaign to recruit 20,000 young women to the nursing profession, Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the federation, announced.

The fund will be used to provide student nurses with $250 and $500 gift scholarships. In addition to providing scholarships for student nurses, the federation is assisting the Red Cross in recruiting nurses for the Army and Navy Nurse Corps and accepting registations for Red Cross Volunteer Nurse's Aide and Home Nursing classes.

Contributions toward the scholarship fund were received from almost every state, Mrs. Whitehurst said. Leading the nursing scholarship honor roll was the Pensylvania Federation of Women's Clubs with contributions totaling $5,000. Tennessee followed with $1,700, Utah with $1,500; Virginia with $1,000; Nebraska with $750; and Arkansas with $600.

EMPIRE STAR MINES ISSUES ANNUAL REPORT

In his report to stockholders of the Empire Star Mines Company Ltd. President Fred Searls Jr. reviews the idleness of the company's properties, the Empire, North Star and Pennsylvania mines, resulting from the closing order of th WPB last fall. He calls attention to the fact that this suspension of operations is the first during the corporate existence of the company, and in fact the first in the ninety years of existence.

The Zeibright and the Browns Valley mines have been closed and are filling with water, the report states. The mills of the three mines mentioned above have suspended, but the closing order permits shafts to be unwatered and repairs to be made. The mills are receiving a thorough cleaning and the clean up is permitted to be milled. Results of this will partially offset the cost of closing down

Searls points out that maintenance of the local properties—keeping them dry and in repair—will become a speculative policy "if pursued throughout a long war because of the uncertainty of the ratio of postwar operating costs to the price of gold."

In 1942, prior to closing, the Grass Valley properties milled 139,804 tons of ore, the recovery from which was 0.389 ounces as compared with 1941 production of 248,289 tons, averaging 0.349 ounces per ton. Metallurgical recovery was 05.60 per cent as compared with 95.52 per cent in 1941.

The report states that despite labor shortages throughout the operating period the ore reserves were maintained and at the date of closing it is estimated that in the reserves were 536,000 tons at 0.372 ounces.

Searls concludes that: "It is obvious that the future conduct of your companys business will be profoundly affected by the length of the war and by post war economic conditions that are at present difficult to predict."

CALIFORNIA TO CELEBRATE 100TH BIRTHDAY 1950

Far-reaching in its possibilities is the recent action of the Historical Society of Southern Californinia in making provision for a state wide committee to devise plans for the proper observance in 1949-50 of California's one hundredth anniversary of statehood.

The action is timely. The event will be one of wide significance to the state, and it is important that ample time be given to the maturing of plans of such a character as will do justice to the romantic history of the Golden State.

As submitted, this plan calls for a Centennial Committee composed of members from every one of the 58 counties. In addition, there will be the executive heads of various historic and pioneer bodies throughout the state, representatives from the Native Sons of the Golden West, the Native Daughters of the Golden West, and the American Legion of California, as well as distinguished scholars from the various Universities.

NEPHEW WOUNDED IN AFRICA

Justice of the Peace and Mrs. Charles Morehouse of Grass Valley have received a letter from their nephew, Lieutenant Thomas M. Heather, in the African war theatre, that he is recovering from wounds received in a mine explosion. Lieutenant Heather, whose parents reside in Berkeley was formerly employed in a Grass Valley grocery store. His letter states that he suffered his wound while Americans were following the Germans who were retreating through a mine field.

STATE CHAMBER FAVORS SELLING CUT-OVER LAND

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—Full support of the California State Chamber of Commerce toward the creation of a farm production council, whose function will be to supplement the work of federal agencies in the recruitment, placement and the transportation of farm labor, was authorized by the chamber's board of directors, meeting here yesterday at the St. Frances Hotel. This proposal is being considered in Sacramento at a special session of the legislature.

With reference to recruiting agricultural labor by federal agencies, including the importation of Mexican workers, the state chamber went on record as favoring H. J. R. 96 by Representative Cannon. This measure which would place responsibility for recruitment, placement, training and transportation of farm labor in the hands of the Agricultural Extension Service, has passed the House of Representatives and is now before a committee of the senate. A. J. McFadden, of Santa Ana, chairman of the chamber's statewide agricultural committee, presented these recommendations.

Approcal, in principle, of the Biggar bill now pending before the legislature, providing for ecquisition of state forests, was voted by the state chamber board of directors. The board expressed the opinion, however, that "no purchase of forest lands should be made without the approval of the boards of supervisors of the counties in which the lands proposed are located." The measure introduced by Sen. Biggar provides an oppropriation of slightly more than a million dollars for the purchase of cut over lands, as recommended by the state division of forestry. The recommendation was placed before the Board by Kenneth R. Walker, of Westwood, vice chairman of the statewide natural resources committee.

Acquisition of land and buildings by the federal government, resulting in the removal of such properties from the local tax rolls, has reached such proportions that the California state chamber of commerce will support federal legislation designed to restrict the degree to which such properties will be tax exempt.

MINER CALLED BY GRIM REAPER

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the late Jose Antonio Fernandez who passed away Sunday afternoon in Grass Valley.

Fernandez was a native of Pravia, Spain, aged 51 years. For the past 20 years he has been employed by the Empire Star Mines Company as a miner. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Hazel Fernandez.

Rev. William Horgan of St. Patrick's Catholic church conducted the services in the chapel of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary. Interment was in the Camptonville cemetery.

Mrs. George Willard spent Sunday in Rocklin visiting her husband's parents, Captain of the Fish and Game Commission A. H. Willard and Mrs. Willard. Her husband is still in a U. S. army camp in Colorado.

CHINESE BEGIN TO ENJOY MASS CHORUSES

LOS ANGELES, March 22.—The Chinese are beginning to sing in harmony and already a full length opera in the native language has been produced before record breaking audiences in Chungking, says Dr. Walter H. Rugsamen, assistant professor of music on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"One of the most inspiring sights in free China of today, according to an authentic report, is to see thousands of people join in the mass singing of patriotic melodies. This is a spectacle never seen before in China and unheard of until six years ago. It is not confined to schools and colleges but has spread to the common people, to the refugees, guerillas and soldiers at the front.

"Most of these songs, in keeping with Chinese tradition, are sung in unison, but some, like The Song of the Lost Battalion are sung in harmony.

"Part singing was first introduced by missionaries, Y. M. C. A. members and Chinese students who had studied abroad. The Chinese music of the future will doubtless be a combination of the native Chinese melodies with western harmonic devices."

CHARLES NINNIS FUNERAL SERVICE THIS AFTERNOON

Charles H. Ninnis, one time deputy sheriff of Nevada County and for several years on the Nevada City police, passed away Tuesday morning at 4:30 o'clock in a pay ward of the Nevada County hospital. Death was caused by cardiac asthma.

Ninnis was born in Virginia City, Nevada. He was 68 years of age. In his youth he followed mining in Nevada and on coming to California, he also engaged in mining. He went to San Francisco and was there during the great fire of 1906. Returning to Nevada City he became first night watchman of Nevada City, but later was appointed a deputy sheriff under Martin and continued in that post under Sheriff Garfield Robson from 1922 to 1927. In 1930 during the time Garfield Robson was chief of police Ninnis served under him as a policeman. He belonged to the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges in this city.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Mamie Ninnis, a daughter Mrs. James Henwood of Grass Valley, a sister Mrs. Annie Temby of San Francisco, and two brothers Albert Ninnis of San Francisco and W. H. Ninnis of Santa Clara.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the chapel of Holmes Funeral Home of this city.

CORPORAL JOHN MUSCARDINI

In the last letter received from Corporal John Muscardini by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Muscardini he stated he had passed tests of the officers training board and will enter school soon. He was at Davis Monthan Field, Tucson, Ariz.

THEIR "DADDIES" FEED THEM

SOMEWHERE IN CHINA—(Passed by Army Censor) — Homeless Burmese orphans get indiyidual attention from their "Daddies" at lunchtime somewhere in China. American soldiers have adopted great numbers of refugee orphans from Burma, paying for their meals and board. American soldiers are left to right: Capt. K. J. Poulton, Salt Lake Cit, Utah; Sgt. William P. Lord, Shreveport, La.; Russell V. White, Harrison, Ark.; Sgt. William E. Browning, Santa Rosa, Calif.; Capt. Glenn H. Smith, Port Huron, Michigan.

Red Cross Goes Over Top With $900 Excess Of Quota

Nevada City and its district to the north and east not only went over the top in its Red Cross campaign, Chairman R. J. Bennetts announced yesterday, but it now looks as if $900 in excess of the $5,100 quota had been donated, in other words the Nevada City district has contributed approximately $6,000 to the fund.

Bennetts finds this very gratifying in view of the fact that many communities throughout California, which are directly beefited by war industries, are having difficulty in obtaining their assigned quotas. This district far from being a beneficiary of war industries has been affected adversely through a great loss of population which has been drawn away by the lure of higher wages elsewhere.

NORTH COLUMBIA

Earl Hiscox $1.00, James Fitzgerald $1.00, George Murphy $1.00, Walter McCully $1.00, Mary Joan Campbell $1.00, Willie Coughlan $1.00, Margaret Coughlan $1.00, Bridgie Mahoney $1.50, Chester Bigelow $1.00, Thomas Bigelow $1.00, J. C. Coughlan $5.00, Johnnie Boreni $1.00, Georgie English $1.00, Thorn English $1.50, Herbert Aaton $1.00.

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Miss Janie Springer $5.00, Alice Moore $10.00, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Chatfield $2.00, Mrs. Geary Feagans (second contribution) $5.00, Frank Wright $5.00, Edna Buffington $1.00. Esther Kaupila $1.00, Amy Davies $1.00, Jeanette Baley $5.00, Fred W. and Mrs. Fred W. Bush $5.00, Ethel Lane McClish $5.00, Irvine Seaman $5.00, Mrs. Annie Sherman (second contribution) $5.00, Mrs. J. L. LaRue $5.00, Rudolph Wursh $1.00, Contributor $1.00, Purity Stores $20.00, Gene Barbieri (second contribution) $2.00, Bowman's Beauty Parlor $5.00, William Pierce $1.00, Christopher Colombo Foresters $5.00, Nevada City Elks Lodge $25.00, Mr. and Mrs. S. Eden $1.00.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Mitchell (second contribution $2.50, Harry McKee $2.00, Mrs. Molly Trezone .50, W. E. Meals (Gray Eagle Mine, Happy Camp) $25.00, P. G. and E. Co. $50.00 ,Arbogast Brothers $11.90, Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Barach $5.00, P. A. Phelps $3.00, Ada Eden $2.00, Ladies Auxiliary, Fire Department $2.50, Mrs. Aileen Lewis $1.00, A Friend $3.00.

Grass Valley Council Compliments Policemen

At a meeting of the Grass Valley city council, Policemen George DeSoto and Henry Strick were complimented on their quick arrest of Floyd Giles, one of the suspects who is accused of robbing the Grass Valley Public Market of $447 last Sunda night. The arrest of Giles led Deputy Sheriff W. J. O'Hara and Undersheriff Bill Woods to a house where William Allen Sukovitzen, the other ex-convict, was hiding.

In view of the difficulties butcher shops are encountering in obtaining meat supplies the council reduced the monthly license fee paid by them from $15 per month to $7.50 a month for the duration.

Miss Lila Hughes Answers Summons

The remains of Miss Lila Mae Hughes, who passed away in Jones Memorial Hospital, were yesterday sent to Oklahoma for interment by Hooper and Weaver Mortuary.

Miss Hughes had only arrived in Grass Valley thirty days before her fatal illness. She had come here to make her home with Mrs. Zelma Willis, her sister, at 426 West Main street. She had been a moving picture theatre cashier in Arkansas and Oklahoma for several years. She was 34 years of age and a native of Oklahoma.

Miss Bonnie Flindt and Cledith Jones Wedded

To the soft strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March, played by the soldier organist in an army chapel at Port Lewis, Tacoma, the marriage of Miss Bonnie Flindt and Cledith G. Jones was solemnized. The ceremony was held at 4 p. m. March 10, with Chaplain Rhinehart officiating. Rose and Lucien Quaid were the attendants.

The bride wore blue with a corsage of white camellias.

The former Miss Flindt is the daughter of Mrs. Mabel Flindt of Nevada City. She was graduated from the San Francisco Teachers College in February and will teach in Washington.

Mr. Jones is the son of Mrs. George Hill of Napa and George Jones of Nevada City. Mrs. Rose Jones is his grandmother. He is a staff sergeant in the headquarters and service corps and at present is doing instructing.

The couple are living in Tacoma, but future plans depend on army orders.

Native of Rough and Ready is Summoned

Mrs. Anna Bruce passed away last night in the Grass Valley Community hospital. She was born and reared in Rough and Ready and was 70 years of age.

By her first marriage to Joaquin Lopez of Nevada City in 1888 she had seven children of whom three survive. Following the death of Lopez, she was married to Robert E. Bruce, and with him conducted a service station in Brown's Valley. Children surviving are Joe and Edwin Lopez, and Mrs. Frances Rowe.

Funeral service will take place Saturday from the chapel of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary. Rev. William Horgan will conduct the service, interment will be in the Catholic cemetery of Nevada City.

WEEK END VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Baxter and children, former residents, spent the past week end in Nevada City as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Stone. On Sunday evening a number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Baxter were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stone and a delightful party was enjoyed. Baxter is now employed in the regional office of the Tahoe national forest in San Francisco as assistant to the chief of fire control.

BUSINESS BRINGS MANY TRAVELERS TO CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, March 25.—Wartime activities of Northern and Central California brought 793,072 out of state people to this region in 1942—the year when travel for pleasure was "out"—and they are continuing to come in 1943.

According to Californians, Inc., travel development agency with headquarters in San Francisco, 302,793 of these visitors came to see members of the armed forces; 300,691 came on strictly business or combination business and vacation trips; 189,588 came to live in this region.

Expenditures by the first two groups of visitors amounted to $26,928,751. Californians, Inc. estimated that three fourths of these visitors came to the San Francisco bay area. It was predicted that large numbers of them and their friends will return, on vacations, after the war.

Sierra County Sends 259 Young Men to War

The Sierra County Selective Service Board sent 15 young men to the army for service last Thursday. This is the 34th call from Sierra county and makes 259 residents of Sierra county who are in the service.

The following is the list: Carl Gilbent Hayes, Donald Godfrey, David Strosnider, Eli I. Allen, Claude B. Newton, William D. Baker, Clarence W. Barnes, John I. Mikolas, Virgil H. Pelfrey, Raymond W. Bews, Saesar P. Fanti, William O. Vance, Sam Hockestra, Joseph D. Zerga, Hermon R. Cooks.

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FOOD WILL WIN (OR LOSE) THE WAR

Former President Hoover, who was food administrator during World War I, bluntly warned the Midwest Governors Conference last week that food will win the war—or lack of food will lose it. Tracing the forces of degeneration which caused the fall of France, including the draining away of too much manpower from the farms and failure to produce adequate farm equipment, Mr. Hoover declared: "We have today at work in America uncanny parallels with the same degenerative forces that have been so disastrous in Europe. Like them, we have drawn undue manpower from the farm. Our farm machinery is wearing out faster than the replacement. And we have a price system in force that often strangles production and distribution."

The former president did not simply indulge in carping criticism of present government policies, however. Drawing from his vast experience with the problem, he made practical recommendations for curing the situation, saying:

"Some of us have had the temerity to make suggestions to our authorities as to this strategy on our food front. We have recommended that agriculture must rank with munitions. We have insisted there must be more manpower and more machinery on the farms. We recommended farm and food problems be more largely decentralized. We recommended that this ancient and inefficient method of price control now in use should be replaced by a simpler and more effective protection to both farmer nd housewife. We asked that prices to the farmers be increased to cover his costs and his labor. We recommended definite organization for recruiting and distribution of agricultural labor. We recommended that the Army should consider deferring the draft of farm boys during 1943 and the furloughing of farm boys for the harvest."

To the layman, that sounds like a common-sense diagnosis. We hope that President Roosevelt, forgetting any political bias, will weigh it and act upon it. For certainly Mr. Hoover has had more experience with the food situation than any other living American. In fact, we can't think of any man the president could select who would make a better food administrator than Herbert Hoover. And we thing President Roosevelt would grow in stature and win a new measure of public confidence if he drafted the ex-president for the job.

THE RUML PLAN DEBATE

The Ruml Plan, repeatedly bayoneted by government officials in Washington, and left for dead on the floor of the House Ways and Means committee, simply refused to stay dead. And reports from the national capital indicate that some form of pay-as-you-go tax program will be adopted ultimately, despite administration opposition.

California interest in the debate now raging in congress was heightened during the last few days by the appearance of Beardsley Ruml, chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and author of the plan. Mr. Ruml confidently prenecessitated by the war, taxpayers can't pay two years' taxes in one, no matter how willing they may be, Ruml told his dicted at a meeting of the Commonwealth Club at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco that the pay-as-you-go program will finally be enacted "because there is no other way out."

Warning that with the present high income tax rates, California audience "The tax clock must be turned ahead a year or we are headed for the worst trainwreck you ever saw." In citing the advantages of "taxing" 1943's income in 1943," he said such a program would remove the constant threat of unpaid debt to the taxpayer; would reduce purchasing power, thus helping to prevent inflation, and "clear the decks for an all-out war program." Equally important, he said, it would permit "forward, rather than backward budgeting, thus preventing a post-war boom financed out of a war-year income."

"It is not a matter of forgiving taxes", declared Ruml. "We will go along paying taxes as we have before, only they will be on a current basis. The taxpayers want to be free of income tax debt and they know this can be done without hurting the treasury and without paying two years' taxes in one." There can be no denial that the average taxpayer would feel greatly relieved to have his tax payments on a current basis—and to be free of the worry that comes when he has a bad year ad yet must pay taxes on the basis of a good year's income. We are inclined to agree with Mr. Ruml that congress will eventnally adopt the program simply because, as he says, "there is no other way out."

EXEMPT THE SERVICE MEN!

Congress has a proposal pending before it to grant a blanket income tax exemption to all men and women in the armed services up to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Army and commander in the Navy, with the exemption retroactive as far back as January, 1942. The taxpayer at home knows that every exemption granted will increse his own burden, but there will be few who will quarrel with the justice or wisdom of granting tax exemption to the fighting men who are defending this country. Their sacrifice, in most cases, is far greater than any that we, on the home front, will be called upon to make. And if they were to come home, when the war is won, to find themselves burdened with tax debt incurred while they were risking their lives to protect their country, it would be an evidence of national ingratitude which would affront every right-thinking citizen. Let's, by all means, grant the boys their tax exemption. That's the least we can do.

YOU CAN'T GAG TRUTH

The assembly is to be congratulated for its prompt and vigorous rejection of an intemperate demand by Germaine Bulcke, president of the International Longshoremen's Union, that it rescind its invitation to Captain Eddie Rickenbacker to address the legislature. Labor's cause certainly is not advanced by hot-heads in the labor movement who seek to abrogate free speech in a attempt to stifle criticism. Even Hitler, who has invoked the death penalty in an attempt to suppress freedom of speech is learning by growing defiance of his decrees both in Germany and in the occupied countries that you can't keep people from knowing the truth by gag rule. The way to silence Rickenbacker's criticism is to remove the labor excesses which are at the root of the complaint.

THEY ASKED FOR IT

ICELAND—Here is the wreckage of a big plane that came uninvited over Iceland where our own air farce has a "Keep Off the Grass" sign. The Nazis didn't believe in signs and paid the penalty. It was done by Ingelido and Morrison.

TAXPAYERS ASSN. WARNS AGAINST HIGHER PENSIONS

"Grave care is needed in considering aid to the aged problems in California," Caliornia Taxpayers' association declared today, revealing estimates of costs of various proposals to liberalize old age pensions currently being discussed.

"At preent, with $40 a month for needy aged persons 65 years of age and over, $68,000,000 a year is being paid to 152,000 aged indigents in the state," the association stated.

If aid is raised to $50 a month, the cost would jump to $102,000,000.

"If aid is raised by the legislatue to $60 a month, with the age limit held at 65, and with able responsible relatives still required to take care of the needy members of their families, the amount of aid given would amount to at least $153,000,000 per year. $75,000,000 more than the present cost.

"If such aid were raised to $60 a month and the age limit reduced to 60 years, even with present 'means test' and with no let-down in the responsibility of relatives, the cost would skyrocket to $196,000,000, which is $128,000,000 more than the present annual cost.

"Every dollar of increase in aid per person would have to come out of the people of California," the association declared, pointing out that California is already getting all the federal government will allow.

"If wide liberalization of aid to the aged in California is passed by the legislature, all hope of state tax reduction will be wiped out," the Taxpayes association warned. "In addition, the possibility of setting up a post war employment fund or any sums being set aside for war emergencies, will also be wiped out. With the inevitable let-down in war-boomed state tax revenues, it could even result in need for a post-war state property tax rate to raise the $128,000,000 added cost for $60 at 60, with the 'need' yardstick maintained, could mean a post-war state property tax rate of $1.75 per $100 of assessed value on the homes, farms and the businesses of California and in a post war unemployment period costs would exceed these estimates greatly."

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Bring the children. Parents now is your time. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Organ prelude, Mrs. Charles Kitts. Hymn 4, "O Worship the King." Special musical number. Lenten sermon "Jesus and Pater," pastor. The public is cordially invited.

The Epworth League at 6 p. m. All the young people are invited. Preaching sermon at 7 p. m. Ten minutes of song service. Sermon, pastor. Come and bring your friends.

Week events: The Sunshine Circle will meet with Mrs. Jennie Partridge Wednesday at 2 p. m. in Grass Valley. Meet at the church at 1:30 p. m. for transportation. Bilbe study and prayer hour Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Come and bring your Bibles.

Special notice: This evening at 7:30 p. m. The Welcome Strangers Bible Class will have their business session and program in the socia hall of the church. Helm Kjorlie and Mrs. Franz will be the speakers. Refreshments and a good social hour with games and a very pleasant time All members and friends are invited.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Christian Science Society holds service at 114 Boulder Street Sunday 11 a. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Lesson subject "Reality." Testimonial meeting first Wednesday of each month at 8 p. m. Reading room at 117 Broad street is open daily from 2 to 4 p. m. except Sundays and holidays.

C. N. Chatfield and wife will return to their home in Pike City this coming week end after a several weeks stay at Cains Auto Court in Nevada City.

Arthur O'Connor, retired school principal and rose fancier of Birchville spent Tuesday in Nevada City on business.

Bill Jeffrey and wife of Los Altos arrived Saturday to spend the past week end with Jeffrey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jefrrey of Town Talk. They returned home Tuesday.

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From where I sit . . .

by Joe Marsh

Sam Abernethy always said: "Curiosity may kill a cat - but I'm no cat." Which is Sam's way of saying that when he's curious about something he goes out and gets the facts.

Seems our government feels the same way. After hearing rumors about our soldiers drinking too much government people went after the facts. They got the evidence on what our boys drink . . . and don't drink.

The government found out our Army's the best behaved in history. More'n half of 'em drink beer—nothing stronger. And the government found that selling 3.2 beer in Army camps is one reason why our Army is so temperate.

From where I sit, there isn't much cause to worry about our men in the Army. Looks like they can take care o' themselves—and take care o' the Nazis and the Japs, too.

Joe Marsh

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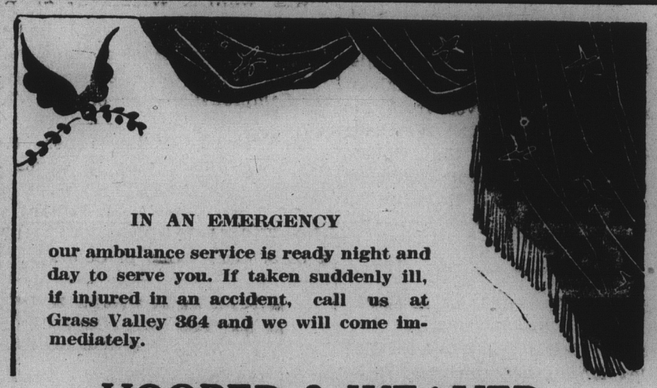

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Farm WAR NEWS

CONSERVE PROTEIN FEEDS

Because of the critical situation in high protein livestock feeds, livestock dairy and poultry men are cautioned to use vegetable and animal protein supplements sparingly in mixtures with grain feeds and never fed alone. According to information received by the war board, the present shortage has been brought about by several factors. Due to the general meat situation, the supply of meat scrap is less than normal, and supplies of fish meal are down, because of restricted off-shore fishing activity.

Although domestic production of the "oil crops", such as flax and soybeans, has been increased, the virtual stoppage of the shipment of copra from the South Pacific has diminished the supply of coconut meal, one of the chief sources of protein feed in California, according to estimates, there is only about 8,000 tons of this product in California at the present time, compared with a normal supply of more than 100,000 tons.

To relieve the situation, attempts are being made to arrange for importation of meat scrap, sterilized bone and flaxseed from South America, where ample supplies exist, but cannot be readily exported because of the shortage of shipping.

SHARE FARM MACHINES

Good old fashioned neighborliness will go a long way toward securing the maximum possible use of the limited supply of farm machinery, in the opinion of N. J. Burgen, chairman of the Placer County Farm Machinery Rationing Committee. "No one expects a farmer to let an expensive and perhaps irreplacable machine be used indiscriminately by others," Burgen explained, "but neighbor should a machine stand idle for a large part of the year when it might be helping produce war food on another farm." More custom use and renting of machines, as well as exchange between growers, was suggested. In many cases, he pointed out the same operator can travel from farm to farm with the same machine, eliminating the danger of misuse by others. Burgen also advised early repair and conditioning of equipment, emphasizing that repair and replacement parts are fairly plentiful, but often cannot be obtained on short notice.

BITS AND PIECES

The first commercial large scale domestic rubber production from guayule got under way last week when shrubs from government plantings were processed at Salinas. Although there are no restrictions on farm slaughter of meat for home use, farmers will be expected to keep their consumption in line with that of other consumers under point rationing. Department of agriculture representatives are now in Mexico City to contract for farm workers and expedite their transportation to the United States. Requests have been received, mostly from California and Arizona, for 6,000 workers.

NEVADA COUNTY LIVESTOCK FARMERS ATTENTION

A meeting will be held by the US DA War Board to acquaint you with new regulations of meat slaughtering. Please attend, March 26,—8:00 p. m. at Peardale.

Redwood beams in the adode ceiling of San Francisco's Mission Dolores were hewn by Indian neophytes in 1776.

Live rattlesnakes are being collected in California to help win the war by furnishing anti-snakebite venom to soldiers around the globe.

THREE NEV. CITY STUDENTS ARE U. C. GRADUATES

The University of California announces that three Nevada City students have graduated in the mid-year commencement. They are as follows: Helen Elizabeth Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Barker, Frederick W. Bauer, from the College of Letters and Sciences, and Vella Frances Flindt, daugher of Mrs. Flindt, from the Nursing School.

Mrs. Mary Grant Whittet of Grass Valley Passes

Mrs. Mary Grant Whittet of Grass Valley, passed away shortly after midnight Tuesday morning at the Jones Memorial hospital. She was taken ill only an hour earlier and an ambulance was called from Hooper and Weaver Mortuary.

Mrs. Whittet had resded in Grass Valley for the past forty years. Surviving her are her husband William Whittet, and three daughters Mrs. Bessie Stevenson, Mrs. Grace Rowe, and Mrs. Vesta Lombard.

The deceased was 76 years of age and a native of Sacramento. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed C. Beedle of Reno, visited Mr. Beedle's sister, Mrs. Geo. Hitchens and Mrs. Beedle's brother Jack Snell, Saturday. The were enroute to their ranch near Sacramento to look after their property.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 8173
SUMMONS
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF NEVADA.

CARL P. JONES, Plaintiff, vs. LOUDON B. MULLIN; MAUDE C. MULLIN; DON L. BLUXOME and PHYLLIS B. BLUXOME; WALTER D. MERRIGAN; INEZ MERRIGAN; OLE RONNINGEN; SIGNE R. RONNINGEN; FRANK ASBURY CRAMPTON; HELEN MATTHEWS CRAMPTON; Veterans Welfare Board of the State of California; RICHARD W. GREENAWAY; DORA GREENAWAY; WALTER J. PHELPS and GEORGIA PHELPS; WILK W. WION; AGNES J. WION; WALTER A. THOMPSON; THELMA R. ADAMS; T. E. CARNEY; CORPORATION OF AMERICA, as trustees; BANK OF AMERICA NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION; JAMES BARRY; MARGARET BARRY; MARY C. CAMPBELL; RALPH L. MILLER; DOROHY MILLER; ANNIE HOOPER; ERNESTINE E. FLYNN; ELZA J. KILROY; PHOEBE E. MAGUIRE; FRITZ PITZ and LILLIAN PITZ, and also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real property described in the Complaint adverse to plaintiff's ownership or any cloud upon plaintiff's title thereto.

Defendants.

Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Nevada, State of California, and the Complaint filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County, Frank G. Finnegan, Attorney for Plaintiff, Nevada City, California.

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You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the above entitled Court by the above-entitled plaintiff for the purpose of determining all adverse claims to and clouds upon the title to all that certain real property situated in the County of Nevada, State of California, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

PARCEL No. 1: Lot 105 in Sections 12 and 13, Township 16 North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcels of land:

(a) A strip of Lot 3, Block 39, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of the lot, on the corner of Drummond Street and the American Hill Road and running thence North 0° and 56′ East 32.00 feet along Drummond Street; thence North 79° 46′ West 122.45 feet; thence South 20° 38′ West 8.00 feet to the North side of the road; thence South 69° 22′ East 131.22 feet to the place of beginning.

(b) EXCEPTING and EXCLUDING however from these presents all town property rights upon the surface and there are expressly excepted and excluded from the same all houses, buildings, structures, lots, blocks, streets, alleys or other municipal improvements on the surface of the above described premises not belonging to the grantee herein, and all rights necessary or proper to the occupation, possession and enjoyment of the same, as contained in the Patent from the United States of America to George G. Allen, dated August 16, 1883, recorded March 27, 1891, in Book 2 of Patents, at page 679.

(c) The surface to a depth of 50 feet in and to the following described realty:

Being a part of Lots 9 and 8 of Block 38, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the North side of the American Hill Road, from which the Northwest corner of the junction of Drummond Street bears North 63° 36′ West 113.25 feet, and running thence North 12° 17′ East 147.66 feet; thence North 89° 05′ East 6.30 feet to the east side line of the Gold Tunnel Claim; thence along said East side line South 8° 38′ East 180.80 feet to the North side of the road; thence North 62° 06′ West 61.76 feet along road to the place of beginning, and containing 0.134 acres, more or less.

PARCEL No. 2: Being a portion of Lots 2 and 6, Block 43, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at a 1 inch pipe on the line between Lots 1 and 2 on the South side of Deer Creek, from which the one quarter section corner on the south side of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 8 East, M. D. M., bears South 23° 58′ West 1402.73 feet, and running thence North 58° 02′ East 77.12 feet to the center of Deer Creek; thence south 22°04′ East 195.06 feet along the west fence of the old Stiles lot; thence South 22° 30′ East 60.69 feet; thence South 45° 00′ East 113.18 feet; thence South 39° 37′ East 154.11 feet; thence leaving Stiles fence line South 2° 39′ East 172.98 feet along W. W. Wion's West line to a 1½ inch pipe on the North bank of the Rough & Ready Ditch; thence along ditch, South 75° 08′ West 73.50 feet; thence North 56° 31′ West 111.00 feet; thence North 76° 48′ West 101.00 feet to center of road; thence following road along east side of the old Samuel Miles place; North 50° 38′ West 125.92 feet; thence North 40° 44′ West 38.50 feet; thence North 2° 54′ East 192.50 feet; thence North 44° 22′ West 110.56 feet to the line between Lots 1 and 2; thence along said line North 40° 27′ East 160.00 feet to the place of beginning, and containing 3.19 acres, more or less.

PARCEL No. 3: Being a porton of Lot 2, Block 43, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the line between Lots 2 and 3, from which the quarter section corner on the South boundary of Section 12, Township 16, North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, bears South 62° 16′ West 320.83 feet. and running thence North 18° 30′ East 644.33 feet to the Northwest corner of the old John Dower place; thence South 62° 06′ West 128.88 feet to the Northeast corner of Parcel 5 herein; thence South 27° 30′ West 544.50 feet to the Southwest corner, identical with the Southeast corner of Parcel 5 herein; thence South 68° 51′ East 171.40 feet to the place of beginning, and containing 1.82 acres, more or less.

PARCEL No. 4: Being a portion of the Southeast part of Lot 2, Block 43, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the South boundary of Lot 2, from which the quarter section corner on the South boundary of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, bears South 62° 16′ West 320.83 feet, and running thence North 18° 30′ East 205.60 feet to a 2½ foot black oak at the southwest corner of the old John Dower place, thence along Dower's south fence line; South 73° 58′ East 403.00 feet to a point 60 feet West of Woodpecker Ravine; thence South 1° 13′ West 252.63 feet to the south line of Lot 2, 80 feet west of Woodpecker Ravine; thence North 70° 02′ West 190.00 feet; thence North 68° 51′ West 288.10 feet along the south line of Lot 2 and old fence to the place of beginning, and containing 2.31 acres, more or less.

PARCEL No. 5: Being a portion of Lots 1 and 2, Block 43, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner, identical with the Southwest corner of Parcel 3 herein, and on the South boundary of Lot 2, from which the quarter section corner on the South boundary of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, bears South 30° 14′ West 244.52 feet, and running thence North 27° 30′ East 544.50 feet to the Northeast corner; thence North 46° 30′ West 209.22 feet to the Northwest corner; thence South 50° 00′ West 339.20 feet to the west boundary of Nevada City Townsite; thence along Townsite line South 1° 28′ East 350.60 feet; thence South 68° 51′ East 162.15 feet to the place of beginning, and containing 3.55 acres, more or less.

PARCEL No. 6: Lots 5 and 6, in Block 41, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869, and more definitely described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the Gold Tunnel Location, Lot 105, patented, and situated in the SE¼ of Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 8 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, within the boundaries of the Townsite of Nevada City, California, said corner being situated in the channel of Deer Creek, thence running up Deer Creek; North 68° 17′ East 98. 32 feet; thence North 35° 51′ East 55.52 feet; thence North 37° 43′ East 155.94 feet; thence North 70° 02′ East 94.76 feet; thence North 88° 24′ East 82.45 feet; thence South 47° 30′ East 55.00 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 6; thence North 0° 09′ West 188.81 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot 6; thence South 76° 05′ West 143.47 feet; thence South 71° 49′ West 106.45 feet; thence South 54° 55′ West 163.65 feet; thence South 79° 41′ West 39.10 feet to the East side line of the Gold Tunnel location; thence South 4° 38′ West 223.00 feet to the place of beginnng.

PARCEL No. 7: Lot 2, Block 42, as shown on the official map of Nevada City, California, made by H. S. Bradley in 1869; and

Commencing at the Southeast corner on Drummond Street, from which the intersection of Easterly line of Drummond Street with the southerly line of Austin Street, bears South 37° 37′ East 119.51 feet and running thence, North 22° 00′ West 24.50 feet; thence North 74° 17′ West 309.14 feet along American Hill road; thence South 58° 30′ West 134.00 feet to point in a ravine; thence South 48° 00′ West 132.00 feet down ravine; thence South 2° 15′ East 200.00 feet along east bank of ravine; thence North 79° 17′ East 371.80 feet to the west boundary of Kilroy's lot; thence North 15° 40′ West 40.55 feet along fence; thence North 18° 18′ West 79.45 feet to the Northwest corner of the Ruby Miller lot; thence North 68° 28′ East 194.15 feet along Miller fence to the place of beginning, and containing 2.51 acres, more or less.

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the complaint in an action entitled as above brought against you in the Superior Court of the County of Nevada, State of California, within ten days after the service of you on this summons, if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the Complaint as arising upon contract, or plaintiff will apply to the Court for any relief demanded in the complaint.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the Superior Court of the County of Nevada, State of California, this 25th day of November, 1942.

(Seal)

R. N. McCORMACK, Clerk.
By Deputy Clerk.
FRANK G. FINNEGAN, Attorney for Plaintiff.
March 25, April 5, 12, 19.

VETERAN OF WORLD WAR I

Bill Torpie, discharged from the U. S. armed services on account of age, arrived in Nevada City March 10 from Fort Custer, Michigan where he had been stationed four months. He also spent about four months at a camp in San Luis Obispo before going east. He was in town Monday greeting many friends. Bill is a veteran of the first world war and served overseas.

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GZHATSK, Russia—A Red Army man distributed newspapers to the liberated people of the town of Gzhatsk soon after that important central Russian city had been recaptured by the onrushing Red Armies. This picture was radioed from Moscow to New York. Latest reports out o" Russia simply say fighting in the Kharkov area is continued, the Nazis at the same time claim the fall of the city.

Melvin Hansen, who has been training with the C. Bs, arrived Sunday evening to spend a seven day furlough with his wife and family on the Murchie Road.

Will P. Clerkin of French Corral was a business visitor in Nevada City, Tuesday.

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SAN FRANCISCO POLICE INTERESTED IN BANDITS WHO HELD UP MARKET

Edward Green, 16 years old, who helps out at the Grass Valley Public market is quite the hero today, because it was his quick wit and steady nerve that led to the prompt arrest of the two bandits, armed with a sawed-off shotgun, who robbed the market Sunday evening just at closing time of $447.74.

His boss, Olav Berkland, manager of the market, gives the boy full credit and praise, for having noted the car number, car make, model, and even the fact that it carried a "C" sticker. This information together with description of the two robbers was telephoned to the Grass Valley police immediately that they drove away. This description of men and car placed on the short wave radio led to the arrest of the two men, William Allen Sukovitzen and Floyd Giles, in less than an hour after the robbery.

In the car Deputy Sheriffs William Woods and W. J. O'Hara, found $379.20 concealed and also the sawed-off shotgun. No. 410, with which young Green had been threatened while he emptied the markets cash into the sack which Sukovitzen conveniently produced.

"I looked across from the meat counter, where I was waiting on Giles and a couple of other customers," said Manager Berkland, "and saw the boy emptying the cash register into a sack, but it never occurred to me that we were being robbed. I called to Green: "Wait a little, I have got to check up on the cash before we close. Then I went on waiting on customers and never noticed the Green kept right on putting the cash in that sack. But the moment the two drove away, Green was ready with the bad news, and the description of the two bandits and their car"

Deputy Sheriff Woods said that on searching Sukovitzen and Giles they found two pocketbooks that aroused suspicion regarding their activities prior to arrival in Grass Valley. On telephoning the San Francisco police he learned that two men answering the description of the bandits, now in the county jail, had robbed a drug store, a Union Oil service station, two men, E. J. McSweeney and G. V. Connellman, and in the drug store beaten a 12 year old youngster, all on last Friday night. They arrived in Grass Valley Saturday occupied a house 126 South Church street, where Giles' former wife lived.

Woods also ascertained during his investigation that both men had been paroled under former Governor Culbert Olson while they were inmates of the California Institution for Men at Chino.

MILL GRINDING CHROME ORE AT OXFORD MINE

The 100 ton mill installed on the Oxford mine on the North Fork of the North Fork of the Yuba river, a mile above Downieville, began crushing chrome ore this week. The Oxford is a gold property with a large deposit of chrome. The C. J. Best Company has taken over chrome deposits and under the management of L. L. Huelsdonk a crew of fifteen is busy working the ore from an open pit and putting it through the mill.

A 15-ton truck hauls the ore from the pit to the mill, while a big power shovel and angle dozer are used for stripping and extracting the ore. Some of the chrome is high grade, running over 50 per cent. This is sorted and shipped by truck to the Columbia Steel Mills, at Pittsburg, California, along with the concentrates from the mill.

George Hallock, president of the California Hydraulic Miners Association, who has large interests in Sierra county, in telling of the work going forward at the Oxford mine, also stated that he is informed that there is a big chrome deposit on St. Charles Hill, a short distance off the highway, some miles west of Downieville. Hallock states that Carroll Winrod has succeeded in obtaining a federal loan for the development of this deposit. Winrod is one of the owners of the claim.

AUTO CLUB IS OPPOSED TO ANY GAS TAX CHANGE

Revision of the state gasoline tax either up or down should be postponed until more normal times, the California state automobile association declared today, announcing opposition to a variety of such proposals now before the legislature.

Measures have been presented for both increase and decrease of the gasoline tax, and for various new uses of the tax revenue, the automobile association pointed out.

One proposal would add one cent to the present three cent tax per gallon to finance a $600,000,000 bond issue for a post war highway program.

Another bill proposes dividing the revenue of an additional one cent tax between the department of public works, the cities, and the counties.

There is also a proposal to reduce the tax to two cents per gallon.

Commenting upon the bond issue plan the automobile association said: "No one can foretell the trend of future events and it would seem unwise at this time to bind ourselves to such a heavy state indebtedness. This view applies with equal force to any proposal for increasing the gasoline tax."

Highway funds will feel the effect of declining gasoline tax revenues, due to wartime restrictions on motor vehicle use, the association said, adding that "this appears to be no time to tamper with the gas tax structure."

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA HAS BIG ZOO MUSEUM

Ranging from a valuable mounted family group of almost extinct big horn sheep to several thousand Nevada insects and spiders, the University of Nevada has an outstanding collection of zoological specimens arranged for study and public exhibition.

The collection covers a large area in the passageways, lecture and experimental laboratory rooms on the main and second floors of the agricultural building.

Primarily used for study, rather than exhibition, the insects are housed in special quarters where also are found several hundred vials containing Nevada spiders and other invertebrates.

A set of approximately 400 skins and mounts of representative birds found in Nevada; more than 100 sets of birds eggs and a number of nests are also on display. The bird collections serve for instance or study of game birds in class work.

Coyotes with their young, porcupines common to Nevada, reptiles, seven prong horned antelopes and nearly 1000 other general museum preparations are also found in the collection.

Charles L. Brown, emeritus associate professor of biology was in charge of most of the collecting and mounting of birds and mammals.

At the present time, the collection is supervised by Dr. Frank Richardson, instructor in zoology and Dr. Edward W. Lawrence assistant professor of biology.

ENGLAND SHOWS HOW TO ORGANIZE FARM OUTPUT

BERKELEY, March 22.—A story of the organization which enabled England to increase her home grown food supply from one third to two thirds of the national requirements in the face of war shortages in labor and equipment was told on the Berkeley campus of the University of California by Robert Rae, professor of agriculture at the University of Reading in England.

"Our Ministry of Agriculture, which is concerned with farming through the stages of having the product grown and produced, functions through the war agricultural committees set up in each county," Professor Rae said.

"Each farm has been inspected yearly since the beginning of the war, and farmers are classified on a basis of management into A. B and C groups. The committees give advice, and if necessary, financial aid to enable farmers in the B and C groups to improve their efficiency."

The problem of farming an increased acreage with a reduced labor supply has been alleviated, he said, by an increase in mechanization, longer hours of work, an increase in the employment of women, and by the fact that farm wages have been put up 80 per cent as compared to the pre-war period, bringing them relatively close to the industrial wage level.

"The price structure is controlled all the way through, from farmer to retailer," he added. "The prices received by the farm community bear a reasonable relation to the cost of production. That means that there is in many cases a gap between the cost of the food to the farmer and the price as sold to the public. That gap is met by the government by direct subsidy."

One Book Shipment Goes, Another Will Go Later

As a result of the Victory Book campaign, Mrs. Iva Williamson, city librarian, states 236 books have been donated, 75 of which were collected by the Junior Red Cross of the Elementary school under the leadership of Miss Rose Hogan. The books have been shipped to the regional Red Cross headquarters in Oakland, and from there they will be sent to the boys overseas.

Mrs. Williamson says that the City Library is still receiving books for the soldiers, so that anyone who failed to get his book into the last shipment may still be sure that any volume that can be spared will be shipped out later.

STUDENT VISITS PARENTS

Miss Betty Smith, who is attending Sacramento Junior College in Sacramento, spent the past week end in Nevada City with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith. While here she enjoyed skiing near Big Bend and attended a meeting of Rainbow Girls on Tuesday evening. With Miss June Hawke, Miss Smith was given the Rainbow majority degree in the order.

ROBERT CARR IN AIR TRAINING

Bob Carr, Jr., who has been training at Buckley Field, Colorado, is now attending Kansas State Teachers college to be an air pilot. A happy meeting occurred when Robert Tamblyn, who has been at an air field in Texas was also sent to Kansas State Teachers college and the two young men are four doors apart in the same dormitory. Neither knew of the other's travels until they met at the college.

GOLD SCALES

F. A. Fowler has presented Chief of Police Max Solaro an old silver and gold scales used in early Alaskan gold rush days in 1898. It was owned by John Mason. Several old papers with gold transactions on them were in the compartment below the scales and on ald deposit and check book of the pioneer local Citizens bank was also in the collection. Assays of gold and silver from the old Murchie Mine east of Nevada City were entered on accounts in 1882.

A record breaking number of women are employed in California manufacturing industries this year, nearly one fourth of the total manufacturing labor forces.

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The second installment of property taxes for Nevada County is due and payable and becomes

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Unless paid prior to that time 3% will be added to the amount due, together with a further charge of 50 cents for each piece or parcel of land separately assessed and for each assessment of personal property. Taxes payable at the Treasurer's Office, Nevada County Courthouse, Nevada City, Calif.

ELMA HECKER, Ex-Officio Tax Collector.